

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (previously presented): A chair with adjustable seat depth, comprising:

a seat having a rigid seat support plate and a sliding and ductile seat cushion plate having a seat cushion arranged thereon, the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate including a flexible area forming a seat trough, the rigid seat support plate having two lateral guide rails arranged thereon, the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate being provided with guide ribs configured to displace the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate on the two lateral guide rails; and

a sliding improvement device positioned between the rigid seat support plate and the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate for improving sliding characteristics,

wherein the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate is fastened to the rigid seat support plate by engaging sliding blocks with fastening domes of the rigid seat support plate via screws, and the sliding blocks form a stop to at least one of front and back for displacement of the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate.

Claim 2 (previously presented): The chair in accordance with claim 1, wherein the sliding improvement device comprises a foil fastened to the rigid seat support plate with at least one fastening device.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The chair in accordance with claim 2, wherein the foil comprises polyethylene and is coated with polytetrafluorethylene.

Claim 4 (currently amended): The chair in accordance with claim 1, wherein the sliding improvement device comprises a sliding layer applied separately to at least one of the rigid seat support plate and sliding and ductile seat cushion plate.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The chair in accordance with claim 1, further comprising at least three guide ribs positioned on the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate and provided for each of the two lateral guide rails of the rigid seat support plate.

Claim 6 (previously presented): The chair in accordance with claim 1, wherein the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate comprises ductile resin and having a flexible portion.

Claim 7 (canceled)

Claim 8 (previously presented): The chair in accordance with claim 1, further comprising an arresting device configured to arrest the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate in a graduated manner.

Claim 9 (previously presented): The chair in accordance with claim 1, wherein the sliding and ductile seat cushion plate has a maximum displacement range of about 60 mm.